

Every Good Wish for XMAS

and THE NEW YEAR

To all our customers and friends
in Bassano and District.

Last Minute Suggestions.

MEN

Jaeger Gloves - Socks
Ties - Silk Neckwear
Slippers - Handkerchiefs

LADIES

Jaeger Gloves - Hand-
Painted Nippon China
Cut Glass - Club Bags

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Every kind of Mechanic-
al Toys - Dolls - Games
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Nuts - Grapes - Oranges
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THE GEM THEATRE

Fri. and Sat.—Bryant Washburn in "Putting It Over"
Monday and Tuesday:
Vivian Martin in "You Never Saw Such A Girl"
Wednesday and Thursday:
Ethel Clayton in "Women's Weapons"
Friday and Saturday—Next Week:
Chas. Ray in "The Busher."

A Record Election.

By what is claimed to be the largest vote ever polled in Bassano the elections for Council and School Board came to a close yesterday with E. L. Skeritt, J. H. Stiles and G. H. Travis the successful councillors, and R. H. Struthers and R. P. Robinson elected on School Trustee.

The figures issued by the Returning Officer were as follow: E. L. Skeritt 122, J. H. Stiles 72, G. H. Travis 62, A. T. Connolly 61, E. P. Currie 65; R. H. Struthers 102, R. P. Robinson 88 and Mrs. Johnson 60.

On the first count for Council Travis and Connolly were tied with 61 each, and on the recount the former gained one vote.

This is considered the record vote ever polled in town, for canvassers claim that only four voters resident in Bassano had neglected to vote.

The interest displayed in the election was remarkable when it is considered that there was no question at issue save the sub-rosa currents which are always in evidence at elections.

The splendid vote cast for E. L. Skeritt is an eloquent testimony of the appreciation of the ratepayers, which is well deserved, as was also the vote of confidence in J. H. Stiles. Only four votes separating the last three men furnished a close a finish as could be desired by anyone.

The new Council should accomplish a great amount of work next year, for every man has had previous experience and the three newly elected are all top-notchers, and exceptionally keen in municipal work.

The defeat of the women's candidate for School Trustee was the outstanding feature of the election for it was generally conceded that Mrs.

A Sure Winner

The Musical Society has caught the spirit of enthusiasm and its success as a great community factor seems already assured.

At the opening rehearsal for the New Year's Day concert no less than thirty members were present and the splendid volume and quality of tone in the chorus was simply astounding. All the parts were well balanced and the effect of so many voices singing in harmony some of the most beautiful of the favorite songs will win the instant approval of the audience.

Mr. Carnegie, the musical director has submitted his program for the opening concert and there would seem to be nothing more to be desired by any audience.

Choral numbers, Character Sketches, Solos, Instrumental Selections, Duets, Quartette and Recitations fill out a most excellently balanced program.

But the best is yet to come for so impressed was the musical director with the capability of his chair that he has promised some really ambitious work in the way of musical comedy and cantata in the near future.

But that now remains is for the Bassano audience to mark its approval by its most hearty support and we shall have an organization second to none in the province.

The Concert on New Year's Day commences at 8 p.m., sharp. General admission is fifty cents, and reserved seats may be booked at Stiles' Drug Store.

Johnson would be elected.

However with R. H. Struthers and R. P. Robinson the Board has two capable men and the ratepayers may rest assured that their interests will be well looked after.

A Merry Christmas

and

**A Happy and Prosperous
New Year to all,
is the sincere wish of**

To all our friends
and customers
A Merrie Christmas
and
A Guid New Year.

JAS. JOHNSTON The Quality Store

Currie & Milroy, Ltd., Bassano

Saskatchewan's Dairy Industry Is Growing

Has Grown Enormously During the Last Few Years

The annual report of the dairy commissioner of Saskatchewan for the year ending April 30, 1919, shows a remarkable increase of 182,700 per cent for the past five years.

The dairy industry in Saskatchewan has grown, enormously, during the past few years. Time was when Saskatchewan was considered solely as a grain-growing province. Now, without losing any of the reputation for the quality of wheat, Saskatchewan farmers are showing that they have not all their eggs in one basket. It is not a great many years ago that farmers in Saskatchewan, outside of the borders of the province for their butter, had no market for their butter. Not so now, however. They make sufficient butter in the province to supply all the domestic requirements and a large quantity is exported to foreign countries.

During 1918, nine thousand cars containing 2,425,000 pounds of creamery butter were sold to outside markets. This year a considerable quantity of Saskatchewan butter has been sent to the United States, as well as to European markets.

The value of the ninety-seven cars sold to outside markets in 1918 was about \$1,215,000. The total quantity of creamery butter manufactured in 1918 was 5,000,000 pounds. Nearly \$100 million dollars is invested in plants and equipment of Saskatchewan creameries.

World's Crop Report

Bumper Crop in Corn, Potatoes, Barley, Rice, &c.

Bumper world crop of corn, potatoes, barley, rye, sugar beets and rough rice for this year are shown in estimates compiled by the international institute of agriculture of Rome, made public by the U.S. department of agriculture. The production of wheat, oats and flax seed, however, show a decrease from the average for the five years ended in 1913.

With the exception of four countries, excepting the central powers, will reach 2,040,509,000 bushels, 14.8 per cent higher than the crop produced last year and 44 per cent better than that produced for the last five years.

Other crops, the department's catalog shows, are estimated as follows:

cent five year average.

Barley, 550,000,000 bushels, 10.8 per cent.

Oats, 2,085,786,000 bushels, 9.3 per cent.

Rice, 423,375,000 bushels, 8.8 per cent.

Potatoes, 607,632,000, 10.2 per cent.

Sugar beets, 10,340,000 tons, 11.8 per cent.

Flax seed, 26,492,000 bushels, 6.9 per cent.

Promises Unkept

Pastor of a German Lutheran Church Who Burns His Citizenship Papers

Choice space is given in a Philadelphia paper to the case of the pastor of a German Lutheran church. On May, 1919, he buried his first citizenship papers in a box. He is more liberal to the square inch. Berlin than there is to the square mile in the United States? "As soon as Germany breaks the blockade," he stormed, "I shall shake the dust of America from my feet and return to Berlin, to remain there for the rest of my life." Of course, he has returned to Berlin? Oh, no, he is still in Philadelphia, making a new application for American citizenship.

For a German, the clergyman had actually turned to the land that would have been a real story! Of the thousands who threatened in their wrath to forsake America, has a single one kept his promise? New York Globe.

New Bridge at Banff

Intending tourists to the Canadian National Parks will be gratified to learn that the engineers have decided to build a new bridge over the Bow River at Banff, Alberta, the playground of the Canadian Rockies. It is anticipated that this bridge will be completed next year, and will cost between \$160,000 and \$200,000. When completed, the new bridge will be 40 feet long and 56 feet wide.

Shipping to Europe

Burns & Co. are shipping many cattle from the Peace River Provinces to Europe and Brazil. Two hundred fine steers recently bought in the Lacombe, Alta., district were consigned through to Belgium. The company's biggest shipment since the signing of the armistice was 700 head.

Tobio has more than 30 daily newspaper.

Imperial Flagstaff Grown in Canada

Made of British Columbia Fir; Massive Pole Weighed 300 Tons

A 210-ton flagstaff made of British Columbia fir, was recently raised on Victory Hill, in the Royal Gardens at Kew, England. The massive pole, which weighed 200 tons after being stripped of its bark, was hauled into position by a team of 100 horses and on the Royal Mail Steam Packet company, and hoisted into place in Kew Gardens on Oct. 19, 1919.

The following account is from the pen of an eye-witness of the ceremony:

The office staff at British Columbia house in Regent street was given a holiday, while they took advantage of the time to go to the gardens of Kew, on the agricultural estate, F. C. Wade, K.C., was an eager spectator of the operations of lifting, as were also Mrs. Wade (who has recently arrived from Vancouver) and their son, Mr. Christopher.

The actual raising of this magnificent pole—214 feet from "tip to tip" as one might say—began on Friday, there being no superstitious people linked to the occasion, and all operations were conducted in the quiet of the Douglas fir, leaned out into space at an angle of 65 degrees.

The following afternoon the staff was brought into its correct position geographically. Marvelous weather—wind still strong, but not enough to interfere with the operations throughout. The abiding sense of wind was a particular blessing, according to one of the workmen, who told me there was no saying what dreadful thing might have happened had there been a gale propelling the pole up during its raising.

The actual raising of this massive pole, which weighs 200 tons, slips into square base into the concrete foundation, stretch its long slender neck up to the sky, and make

the first from the brazen eye of the tall steel cables that had clutched its body at uncomfortable intervals. The initial process was very slow, and one had to give one's eye to the height of the pole, and then away, in order to observe any movement at all. It went as slowly as the hour hand of a clock. But, after one minute or two the foreman's shout to a knot of his men at the foot of Victory Mount, "Another turn or two," and the pole was up.

One minute, and the work of raising took a score of men, all told.

Victory Mount, where the British Columbia spruce stood, was a very favored spot in Kew Gardens. Upon one shoulder of the little hill grew a tall, slender spruce, which had a straight branch of which stretched straight out toward the approach to the hill as though in defiance of all who would dare to lay hands upon it.

Farther down the slope of the hill, around there were several small earthy, tamarec trees—called larvae here—whose "feathers" were like old gold in the October sunshine. At the back of the hill stood a group of birch, oak, and willow trees, all matted with the boughs of an angelopsis vine. Farther still were some fine deciduous, and the grass beneath was studded with the wonderful blue of the "autumn crocus."

Altogether, there were two gardens for the whole of the little hillside. The grass was well over three tons to the acre, and it is safe to say that with the third cutting the average yield will be at least four tons to the acre.

Leighbridge, a small district will therefore get a return, this season, from their alpaca crops alone of nearly two million dollars.

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Fortunes in Canadian Alfalfa



STACKING ALFALFA AT BROOKS, ALBERTA.



Stacking alfalfa in the Central Farm, Van Horne Colony at Coaldale, Alberta. The Van Horne is one of the Colonies for returned soldiers established by the C.P.R. in Alberta.

It is no exaggeration to say that the crops are being made in Southern Alberta today with alfalfa. With this crop selling at \$20 a ton and yields of four tons to the acre being harvested, it is easy to see that large sums of money are being obtained from the crop.

One man north of Brooks, Alberta has the sole use of his 100 acres for his buildings, his alfalfa. Last year he cleared between \$14,000 and \$15,000 from this crop. This year he expects to make \$20,000 per acre.

One farmer in Coaldale in the Lethbridge Irrigation District, this year harvested no less than 30 tons of alfalfa hay on twenty acres of irrigated land and at first cutting. This hay was sold at a price of \$15 per ton in the stack, realizing \$81 to the acre.

The second crop on this land was a most, if not quite as good, as the first, and, in every probability that a third crop will be harvested.

It is safe to say that the return from these twenty acres will be \$10,000.

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A Huge Project

Estimates are being prepared by an experienced irrigation engineer on the cost of the large irrigation scheme that is being projected north of Lethbridge, Alberta, and which will irrigate 100,000 acres of some of the most fertile farmland in the country. The cost of the scheme, the figures will run somewhere between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000. The farmers in the district are getting ready to send a big delegation to the provincial legislature to ask that the provincial government take an active part in the development of the project.

It is understood that a memorandum of agreement has been reached between the provincial and Dominion governments, whereby the work on this and other projected irrigation schemes in the southern part of the province will be carried on by the provincial government, and will be assisted by the federal government, with the object of making the area a great clearing house for the trade and professions.

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In connection with the huge Lethbridge southeastern project, embracing 350,000 acres, several districts have been formed, under the Alberta Irrigation District Act. Many other districts are being formed.

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Minerals on Farms In Saskatchewan

Salt, Iron Pyrites, Sodium Borate, &c. Discovered in Considerable Quantities

Some interesting mineral deposits have recently been discovered in Saskatchewan, including, gypsum, salt, 98 per cent pure, from pyrite, practically pure sodium sulphite, bluish-green coal and a high-grade brick clay. In each case the land was made available to miners who had the claims until the government took over the mineral rights. They have recently discovered another phase of the possibility of "mixed" farming as the practice.

Of the salt there is said to be enough to supply every table in Canada and leave a lot for export, but the man who holds the land—it is near Wilkie—has an exaggerated idea of what constitutes a fair division of profits in the mineral wealth of the province and is holding out for a large share.

The sodium sulphite, which has been discovered on the Bremerton-Radville line of the C.P.R. near Hawley, is estimated at about \$300,000 tons.

Should a plant be located there is said to be within three miles and in addition there are large quantities of limestone, which would permit the manufacture of sodium carbonate used in the manufacture of soap. Sodium sulphite is worth \$20 to \$30 a ton and is in demand by pulp mills.

The iron pyrites deposit is near Elbow, in the bend in the south Saskatchewan River. The find is said to be one of the most valuable discoveries in the province, the deposit is almost inexhaustible.

Overlying pyrites is a fine grade of brownish sulphur. Sulphur is made from iron pyrites and it is worth about \$35 a ton.

Andrews and Crichton, analytical chemists, who for several years have been working under the auspices of the Provincial Government, state that there is considerable interest being shown in the possibilities of the deposit.

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The Canadian Poultry Situation

Opportunity to Pave the Way for a Permanent Place in the Export Trade

No branch of food production has suffered during the war to a greater extent than that of poultry, and in most countries of Europe it has almost disappeared, while in others scarcity of feed and high prices and the closing of markets have compelled serious reduction. The flocks of chickens which are created is reflected in the report of Mr. W. A. Brown, chief of the poultry division of the Canadian Department of Agriculture, at the 1919 Canadian National Poultry Conference, held in Ottawa this year, the report of which has been published and is available at the Publications Branch of the Canadian Department of Agriculture at Ottawa. It was strongly argued at that conference that this is the time of co-operation. The provinces were recommended to co-operate with the Dominion as the great class houses have been closed and the men are leaving the industry. The poultry industry was recommended as a means of solvers' re-establishment by Mr. W. J. Black, chairman of the executive board. He suggested that the government should make a small tax of poultry about the homes of every recruited soldier who becomes settled on the land.

Alberta Winter Fair

Many Valuable Prizes Are Being Offered in Various Com- petition

The Alberta fair, to be held in Calgary December 9 to 12, shows every indication of being most successful. The prize money is larger than ever, and the entries widely distributed.

The Livestock Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture offers prizes for steers, in groups of five and fifteen, to the value of \$1,000; for first prize for gilts, \$500; for second, \$300; for sheep, groups of five and ten, \$400; for dressed carcasses, sheep, \$400; and for swine, \$175.

The baby beef and Canadian beef competitions for girls and boys are growing in popularity at the last two fairs, and will again be a feature of the Winter Fair. The Alberta lamb competition for girls and boys, for which \$400 is offered, will also be very attractive.

The prizes in the regular classes for cattle, sheep and swine are very liberal.

In connection with the Winter Fair an article sale of pure bred and grade beef cattle, mostly females, will be held, entries for which are now being taken. About three hundred animals will be offered.

The sale of fat stock entered in the Winter Fair is always well patronized by the packers and butchers, who purchase their Christmas beef, pork and mutton at the fair.

The Fair is held under the auspices of the Alberta Department of Agriculture and the Alberta Livestock association.

The annual fair is a success as possible in this new Western province, a modern fireproof structure which, when completed, will staple six hundred head of cattle, besides sheep and swine, and will be the finest livestock pavilion in Canada.

Won't Come to Canada

English Domestics Better Off at Home, Says League Speaker

There is little likelihood of English domestics emigrating to Canada, according to Mrs. Rose Hodson, who has just returned from England, and who addressed the Women's League at its annual meeting in Toronto.

"I don't think that the indications are sufficient to bring many to Canada," declared Mrs. Hodson. "The English are more in England at the present time than is offered by the Canadian Government."

Manitoba Timber Limits

The timber limits of the history of the timber business of Manitoba has just been negotiated, when the Finger Timber Co. disposed of its 224 miles of timber limits in the Fox District for \$1,500,000 to C. J. and D. W. Jones, of Minneapolis.

Lord Llewellyn to Visit Canada—Winnipeg—Lord Llewellyn, the noted soap manufacturer, who has fostered so many schemes for the betterment of his industry, and a foremost exponent in reform schemes, will visit Canada shortly. He is expected in this city soon, while on a tour of the world.

Saskatchewan's Growing Poultry Situation

Farmers Are Showing That They Have Not All Their Eggs in One Basket

The annual report of the Daley Commissioners of Saskatchewan for the year closing April 30, 1919, shows a remarkable increase of 18.6 per cent. for the province in dairy production.

The dairy industry, in Saskatchewan, has grown enormously during past few years. Time was when Saskatchewan was considered as a great growing province, but without losing any of their reputation for the growth of wheat, Saskatchewan farmers are showing that they have not lost all their eggs in one basket. It is to be expected that this session at the first Canadian National Poultry Conference, held in Ottawa this year, the report of which has been published and is available at the Publications Branch of the Canadian Department of Agriculture at Ottawa.

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Encourage The Dairy Industry

Ontario Minister of Agriculture Expects Great Shortage of Livestock

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Canadian Cattle for Europe

Canadian Farmers Getting Share of Business in European Countries

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Christmas, the season of joy, remembrance and thanksgiving is again with us, and the Christmas spirit is being manifested everywhere with a greater degree of intensity than has been witnessed for many years.

Unlike the other great festivals of the Christian Church, Christmas has a material as well as a spiritual aspect, which, while perhaps never associated by the lay mind with religion, is nevertheless a demonstration of the most practical form of Christianity.

The expressions of goodwill whether by gift or word, and the flow of sympathy to unfortunate humanity which is everywhere displayed during the Xmas season, is without doubt Christianity in its most beautiful expression.

For this reason, if for no other, the advent of Christmas is pregnant with hope and expectation of glad tidings of great joy not only in an aesthetically spiritual sense but in the broader material aspect which is at this time of the year almost as deeply religious, even if in an unconscious manner.

We take the opportunity of extending our heartiest wishes to our readers for a happier and brighter Xmas than has ever been enjoyed before.

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"O, may we keep and ponder in our mind God's wondrous love in saving lost mankind!"

True is the Babe, who has retrieved our lost, From His poor manger to His bitter Cross; True in His steps, assisted by His grace, Till the first heavenly state again takes place."

Wishing you all a truly joyful Christmas and a happy and blessed New Year.

Yours faithfully,
D. L. Greene.

Meeting of Bulyea Council

Minutes of Council Meeting held at Council Chambers, Saturday December 12th at 11 o'clock a.m., 1919.

Attendance: Reeve Stewart, Deputy Reeve, Councillor, Brandner, Coulter and McDoyle.

Moved by Coulter that minutes of last meeting be adopted as read. Carried.

Moved by Coulter that work sheets No. 25 to 31 inclusive be taken from table and dealt with. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Coulter, Gilson that the following were sheet accounts held at No. 25 \$74.70; No. 26 \$247.35; No. 27 \$111.00; No. 28 \$6.40; No. 29 \$85.00; No. 30 \$109.60; No. 31 \$44.00; No. 32 \$65.00. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Coulter, Stewart that by Nov. 20 he give the same to Coulter and Coulter, Vassell as read. Voting for Reeve (Com.) Gilson, Brandner and Coulter, voting against, Coul, Coulter, Amendement moved by Coulter, Coulter, Gilson that the same be referred to a committee of three to be deposited at time of the next meeting down to 10:00 a.m. of Dec. 9-1919. Voting for Coulter, Coulter, against Reeve, Coul, Gilson, Brandner and Coulter. Carried.

Moved by Coulter, Gilson that a request of Mrs. Anderson re fencing road divided between Coulter and Coulter, Coulter, Amendement moved by Coulter, Coulter, Gilson that Coulter be apportioned to investigate and report to meeting of March 1st next. Carried.

Moved by Coulter, Gilson that Coulter, Coulter, Amendement moved by Coulter, Coulter, Gilson that the next regular meeting of the Council be held January 2nd 1920 at 11 o'clock a.m. Carried.

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Let us demonstrate

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All Makes of
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Auto Accessories,
Oils and Lubricants

BASSANO, Dec. 13th, 1919.

Mr. Gar Owner,
Anywhere.

Dear Sir:-

Sometimes you have a tire that you know is worth repairing but you don't know where to take it.

There is a place right here in Bassano, for we have installed a large steam vulcanizing plant and can look after your wants in the way of repairing and re-treading in every particular.

Bring in your automobile casings and tubes any time and we shall be glad to make free inspection of them. We will look them over and give you an estimate of what it will cost. If they are worth repairing we'll tell you. Sometimes a casing looks good but when it is torn down for repairs, inside weakness appears and we'll tell you and you won't be charged a cent.

Every now and then we see tires thrown away that could easily be repaired so that they would give two or three times the mileage necessary to pay for the repair.

Even if the casing is weak it may not be necessary to scrap it. Maybe an inside tire protector can be cemented in and the casing may run until it is entirely worn through.

If you have tread cuts do not neglect them. Use your spare casing for a day and let us repair the cuts. This can be done for a trifling cost and it may save you a blow-out or a loosened tread. The constant contact with the road forces water and dirt into the cuts and in time the casing is ruined.

Get ready for Spring. Bring your tires to us at once and let us look them over. If you need new ones we can supply you as we carry all makes and sizes.

Yours very truly,

ROY SMITH.

Notice to Claimants and Creditors

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CYRIL JOHN MORGAN LATE OF KINNONDALE, ALBERTA, FARMER, DECEASED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having any claim against the Estate of the late CYRIL JOHNS MORGAN who died at Vassell on the 21st of January 1915, are required to file with the undersigned Solicitors for his Estate by the 29th day of February 1919, a full statement duly certified of their claim, and that after that date the said Solicitors will file a statement of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been so filed or brought to his knowledge.

DATED this 19th day of December, 1918.

WATERS & MOYER,
811 Herald Building,
Calgary, Alberta.

"W.J.W."

Every person who is musically inclined is cordially invited to join the Musical Society.

Write for information re C. M. Hafsfeld, rap maker. Carried.

Moved by the Reeve, that the Secretary write to Mr. Hafsfeld for information re rap maker. Carried.

Moved by Coulter, Gilson that the Secretary write to the price on Seed Oats F.O.B. Dundee, Millington, Pollockville and Cossford. Carried.

Moved by the Reeve that the Secretary obtain an abstract on S.E. 32-22-14-4.

Moved by the Reeve that the Secretary post Notices in all Post Offices asking all persons requiring Seed Oats to make application immediately. Carried.

Moved by the Reeve, that the Secretary post Notices informing interested persons that they will receive for free the cost of a table for their Committee for the use in the way of necessities and folders. Carried.

Moved by Reeve that letter from Mr. Hopkins re woods be tabled. Carried.

Moved by Reeve that the next regular meeting of the Council be held January 2nd 1920 at 11 o'clock a.m. Carried.

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No. 55
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Meets First Tuesday of Each month.
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Veterinary Surgeon
for and Dentist to
Day and Night Calls Promptly
Attended.

Office:
The Exchange Stables,
Bassano.
Phone: Office, 24; Residence, 20.

CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN
(ANGLO-CAT.)
Corner 5th Avenue and 4th Street
Services every week as advertised;
Sunday School 3:00 p.m.
Rev. D. L. Greene, B.A. Incumbent

Bassano PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Services - 7:30 p.m.
Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.
Rev. T. S. PATON

RWARD
Will be paid for return of following
brands.
1. cattle right thigh.
2. cattle right shoulder.
3. cattle left rib.
4. cattle left rib.
5. cattle right rib.
C. E. BOVEY,
Maiterville, P.O.

NOTICE

On and after January 1st, 1920, we shall
be compelled to work on a strictly Cash
Basis and all repairs and supplies executed
or furnished for customers must be paid for
at time of delivery.

By this method we hope to be able to give
our customers better service and rates.

The General Garage

F. H. BERRY

MANAGER

Notice to Creditors and Claimants

IN THE ESTATE OF JOHN ALVIN
MILLIMAN late of Bassano, Alberta,
Farmer, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons who have claims against the estate of John Alvin Milliman, who died on the 10th June, 1919, are required to file with the undersigned collectors for the Administrator of the Estate by 1st January, 1920, a full statement of the same, and if any claim is not filed by him, and that on such date, the Administrator will distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which amount has been filed or brought by him.

Dated, this 2nd day of December, 1919.

SHOUT, BOSS, SELWOOD,
SHAW & MAYHOOD,
Imperial Bank Chambers,
Calgary, Alberta.

WANTED
50 tons Barled Wheat Straw, good
length preferred. State price and date
of shipment.

Post Office Box 81,
McMullen Hat, Alta.

Mail Want Ads pay Try one

Notice

All accounts due to E. Evans & Son
may be paid to A. A. Evans or Harvey
Smith at the latter offices.

E. EVANS & SON

\$10.00 REWARD

For recovery of cattle branded
on left rib, and horses branded (on
left thigh).—Mrs. J. H. Chandler, Man-
ton, Alta.

\$20.00 REWARD

Strayed
1. White Galloway - weight 1000 lbs.
with ear tag 10 from front, on board
Gordon Mary, weight 1200 lbs.
branded (on left thigh).—\$10.00 reward for recovery
of each of these horses.

W. METHENY,
Commissary

WANTED
200 Head of Cattle to Winter.
Apply, E. M. Smithley,
Makewa.

WANTED
Good informed description of farm also
city property in or surrounding Medicine
Hat District.

ED. REEVE,
Hugoton, Kansas, U.S.A.

HORSES TO PASTURE

Can pasture about 50 head of horses.
Located 16 miles north of Bassano, 2
sections partly grass and partly shrub.
L. M. SORENSEN,
Bassano.

FOR SALE

Gramophone. Absolutely new. \$160
machines for \$110. Will play any make
of record. Would make a splendid
Xmas gift. Apply Box 231, Bassano.

Mail Want Ads pay Try one!

Communications

Dear Sir:

In view of what was published in last
week's issue of your paper, and particu-
larly in regard to the recent statement
which has been made by the
people who are either too long or make
acquirements from proper sources or are in-
different whether they are speaking
the truth or not, we feel it is our duty
to inform the citizens of Bassano that an ex-
planation is given.

The Council at a recent meeting held
on Tuesday to discuss School Board
affairs and particularly, the alleged
prohibitory use of the strap was a
decided success from every point of view,
especially as the meeting, almost
unanimously, up-ld the board (and consequently the staff)
in its actions.

The most pleasing feature of the
meeting was the very broad-minded and
reasonable attitude adopted by

several of the signers of the petition,
and the entire lack of any personal
feeling or criticism.

It was shown conclusively that
the principal had acted in such a
manner that fully commanded itself
to the great majority of the rate-
payers who are obviously determined
that nothing shall be permitted to
undermine the discipline at the
school and not one word of censure
was uttered against any of the
teachers, neither was there any
evidence given which could justify
the calling of a meeting to discuss
prohibitory strapping.

However if the result of the meet-
ing was that the pernicious system of
undermining which is apparently being
carried on amongst the pupils is
checked, it will not have been
held in vain.

There are places in the Musical
Society for Sopranos, Contraltos,
Tenors and Basses. There are no
openings for Knockers at present.

FIRE ALARM CALLS.
Ward 1 (west of 4th St. and
south of 4th Ave.)—Five bells
pause, then five more, etc.

Ward 2 (West of Fourth St.
and north of Fourth Ave.)—Six
bells.

Ward 3 (East of Fourth St. and
South of 4th Ave.)—seven bells,
Ward 4 (East of Fourth St. and
North of Fourth Ave.)—Eight
bells.
Practice Alarm—Three bells.

Whatever you may forget during
the rush of the holiday season do not
forget the big double of the
"Hansen's Dame New Year's Day
and the afternoon Concert on New
Year's Day."

Theatre to be run by Hansen
and supporting Bassano citizens. So save
higher prices and send your money out
of town.

Yours truly,
Theatre Committee
(This was frank statement of fact by
theatre manager. The Council should accept all
the statements which have (in my opinion)
the new notorious phrase again) been
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U.S. and League Of Nations

American Editor Eulogies Positive
Taken by British

That the stand taken by the U.S. Senate on the question of the League of Nations is far from being a reflex of opinion held by the intelligent thinking class of the United States, is well known. Still there is a large element that can not be overlooked when analyzing the stand set forth in the Senate. Referring to the lack of harmony in dealing with the great issue, the editor of the Des Moines Register contrasts the actions of the American politicians with those taken by the leading editors of Great Britain. The American editor is quite outspoken in his commendation of the British spirit. Speaking of the messages from British Statesmen on the observance of Armistice Day, he says:

The King, the Lord Mayor of London, Premier Lloyd George, Mr. Asquith, the late premier, and Lord Robert Cecil, son of the Marquis of Salisbury, may surely be accepted as spokesmen.

There is no note of self-glorification.

England will not spend the day reviewing English sacrifices, although they were greater than those of any other people, nor will it be a day of triumph over the Central Powers.

The day will be given over to the contemplation of what may be done in the world if only all the peoples will turn their eyes to the future.

There is something encouraging in the very frankness manifested by the editor. Every speaker, King George among them, rises to the full significance of the occasion. There is nothing cheap, clamorous and dissipating. It is all elevated, earnest and commanding everywhere.

The next could be launched in the spirit of these English leaders, the future would be a real clear deal.

Why in America, where this world program has been our dream of a century, should there be less zeal for realization, now that realization is here? And yet, we all know that no gathering could be held in America where men of equal attainments and courage—Are we more engrossed in party politics than they are in England? Are our public men less farsighted, less disinterested? What has come over America that a press so eager to depict America as England proposes to observe it would meet, with quiet but determined hostility?

If America had gone forward with assurance and determination for the world, world organization would today be an accomplished fact, the nations would today be considering smaller rather than greater armaments, racial, religious, national and industrial differences would be estu- estuated, would be in the process of obliterating, and the age long hoped for and prayed for consummation of peace would be realized. Why have we failed? Why do we still hold back?

A Large Silo For a British Port

Constructed Throughout of Reinforced Concrete

A large grain silo has recently been installed at the port of Hull, England. It is constructed throughout of reinforced concrete and has a capacity of 40,000 tons. The building is in two parts, a grain silo and a receiving house, equipped with elevating, weighing, cleaning and other machinery. Six electrically operated bucket elevators are provided on 10-ton docks for discharging the grain. The port authority of Hull dry docks dry docks is able to deal with 150 tons per hour. The grain is fed to hand conveyors, which carry it to the receiving houses, where it is automatically weighed in bulk. The grain is then moved to the top floor of the building and conveyed to the bins. Very complete provision has been made for the process of "grading over," so essential in the case of grain that is to be sent to Canada. The grain is then sent direct from the bins without the aid of conveyors, sacks being filled through automatic sack-loading gates and placed on railway trucks or on conveyor belts which lead to the bins. The grain is then sent to the grain elevator, which is a highly elaborate dust-collecting plant, and the equipment, which includes lifts, intercommunication telephones, and signal systems, is up-to-date in every detail.

Many a small boy whose teacher tells him he may stow away day by day, discovers later that he is better fitted for the position of janitor in a grain silo.

Ample Supply of Bran and Shorts

Prices Not in Excess of Those Fixed

By Order

The Canadian wheat board points out that there is a large supply of bran and shorts available to consumers at prices not in excess of those fixed by the board. There is always a good demand from consumers of mill oil in the eastern states, they say, at prices equal to or better than those fixed by the board. The storage capacity of the Canadian mills being limited, the board is obliged from time to time to grant permits to such mills as are short of storage room to store their oil to enable them to keep up production. This comfortable position as regards mill oil is likely to continue as long as the wheat board is able to keep the mill supply well enough ordered. Under this condition change will usually come after the turn of the year, there will be a corresponding reduction in the quantity of oil available.

Consumers who experience any difficulty in securing immediate supplies of bran and shorts should communicate with the board.

Pure Bred Sheep

Enterprising Saskatchewan Farmer
Imports Pure-Bred Stock

Many farmers in Western Canada are building up high class flocks and herds, and are availing themselves of every opportunity to improve their stock. R. A. Wright, of Drinkwater, Saskatchewan, has just imported very fine English sheep.

English included in their number are the first gold prize aged ram and the first fine shearing ewe at the Royal Show in England. This side these outstanding animals are the best in the country. The ram was a real high-class shearing ram that was not shown at the Royal. The ram is said to be a good ram.

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Bring You Every Joy
And
The New Year
Be A Prosperous and A Happy One,
is the sincere wish of

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Local and Personal.

Service will be held in the Anglican Church on Sunday next at 11 a.m. At this service the sacrament of Holy Communion will be administered.

R. A. Brown, president of the Electric Light Company was a visitor to town on Monday.

Mrs. H. O. Bredin was a visitor to Calgary for a few days last week.

Whatever you may forget during the rush of the holiday season do not forget the big double of the Firemen's Dance New Year's Eve and the afternoon Concert on New Year's Day.

Midnight Mass will be sung at the Catholic Church to-night (Xmas Eve.)

So many comments for and against the formation of a Rural Municipality in this district have been uttered that it would seem the only way to properly gauge the feelings of the farmers would be by the holding of a name meeting. Perhaps the U.F.A. would accept the responsibility of arranging such a meeting.

Dad Brewer of Crowfoot, who by the way is to be congratulated upon the excellence of his hirsute adornment, is very much opposed to the proposed Municipal District.

E. F. Purcell was a visitor to town on Monday. Ed. likes a taste of real life occasionally and always comes to Bassano to find it.

Much excitement was caused at Fortier's Barber Shop on Saturday when "Billy" the new barber was operating on the cranium of W. J. Tannen, who was suffering from an overgrowth of thatch. We are happy to state that the patient emerged with his ears and nose intact, and might also add that the tonsorial artist was A. J. Adams.

Now that the elections are over, a musical society formed and-harmony re-established, why not a Board of Trade?

According to the minutes of Rivers Council that body is beginning to bite at Rainmaker Hatfield's proposition to supply rats at so much per pair. The Lomond Free is sarcastic on the subject, but we seem to remember sceptical comment on other innovations before.

As far as Hatfield's proposition is concerned he seems to be the only one who stands to lose anything anyhow.

There was a mighty gathering of the clans in Calgary last week when Sir Harry made his latest last appearance.

Nearly all the local Scots were there and all report a "wall" of a time.

Manager Torgan announces that all children will be admitted free of charge to the Gem on Xmas Day.

A Special Christmas Dinner will be served at the Royal Cafeteria which for gastronomic perfection has the Palliser faded to a frazzle. The Special Menu are not the least attractive feature of the program.

W. G. Neison was a visitor to town on Tuesday from his ranch on the Red Deer. He informs us that practically all the land between Sir Harry and Husar has been taken up during the past year. Not to be wondered at when crops of wheat, averaging round 80 bushels per acre, are grown in years like 1919.

The Annual Christmas Entertainment of the Presbyterian Sunday School was held last night and proved a huge success. Full details in our next issue.

We are in receipt of a very beautiful "Made in Alberta" Christmas Carol, the words written by our old friend Major Oxley and the music composed by Dr. Hodgson of Calgary. In the carol one finds traces of the stately Gregorian mass yet it is decidedly original, and is a welcome relief from the usual imported variety.

E. H. McCaugherty's big show at Fortier's Athys last week is still unbroken and Mrs. has almost spent that old five years already.



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What is it? It is a Talking Machine, but not like any one you have heard previously.

It is designed and made by Curtiss Aeroplanes and Motors Ltd., the firm that built so many aeroplanes for the British and Allied Governments.

They say it is "the last word in Talking Machines" and we agree with them.

But there is nothing we can say here that will be half so convincing to you as seeing it and hearing it yourself. So come in and let us demonstrate it to you. We will be pleased to demonstrate it whether you buy or not.

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